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Anti-Drug Drive

Police tighten noose on drug peddlers, stockists & consumers

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (RK&BCT)- Following the Government's firm stand against drug abuse and its resolve to dismantle narcotics networks, the Mysuru Police have intensified their operations to crack down on drug peddlers, vowing to continue the campaign until the menace is fully curbed.

The intensified crackdown began in July this year after a major MDMA (Methylenedioxymethamphetamine — commonly known as ecstasy) racket was busted in a makeshift distillation unit inside a vehicle garage along the Ring Road service lane at Belavatta, under the jurisdiction of Narasimharaja (NR) Police Station.

The racket was exposed during a joint operation carried out by the Maharashtra Anti-Narcotics Squad and the Mysuru City Police. Four individuals were arrested and three accused are still absconding.

(See ANTI-DRUG DRIVE on page 6)

Hydro Ganja !

- **Marijuana grown using hydroponics**
- **Stock worth Rs. 17 lakh seized**

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (MK&BCT)- The City Crime Branch (CCB) Police conducted an intensive operation under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985 in Naidu Nagar, within Narasimharaja Police Station limits.

Hydroponic weed, or hydro weed, is cannabis grown using a hydroponic method. Typically, hydroponic weed is grown indoors.

During the raid, officers seized 176 grams of Hydro Ganja, valued at approximately Rs. 17 lakh. The operation was carried out on Dec. 11.

Two accused — Aftab Ali Baig and Pratap Kumar — have been arrested in connection with the sale and purchase of Hydro Ganja. An FIR has been registered at Narasimharaja Police Station under the NDPS Act.

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HC halts Unity Mall works in Mysuru: Pramoda Devi clarifies

Mysuru, Dec. 12- Following publication of the news item titled "HC halts Unity Mall works in Mysuru — Pramoda Devi Wadiyar moves Court against Centre's project supervised by her son MP Yaduveer Wadiyar !" in *Star of Mysore* dated Dec. 11, member of the erstwhile Mysore royal family Pramoda Devi Wadiyar has issued a clarification:

Pramoda Devi

"As the matter is sub-judice, I am responding through this press note to the news item reported by a section of print media as well as the electronic media regarding the 'status quo' order of the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka concerning Unity Mall proposed to be built at Doddakere Tank bed land in Survey Number 1 of Mysuru, Kasaba Hobli."

"At the outset, I wish to clarify that I am not opposed to the showcasing of the State's handicrafts and GI-tagged products, as has been erroneously insinuated by certain sections of the print and electronic media. Further, the speculation regarding alleged and non-existent 'bahiranga and antaranga squabbles' is a clear attempt to sensationalise the issue of exercising one's rights of ownership."

"The Karnataka Government was free to allot any piece of land belonging to the Government to set up the mall instead of allotting this particular piece of private property, a settled matter between the Government of India and the then State Government at the time of accession of States and subsequent agreement dated 23.01.1950. I do not think I am wrong in exercising my responsibility to retain and safeguard the legacy of my predecessors for future generations."

"Relevant documents have been filed to substantiate my stand in the petition filed by me, and the Government response is awaited before the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka for further proceedings."

— Pramoda Devi Wadiyar
F-1, The Mahishuru Palace,
Mysuru - 570 001

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Friday 12th December 2025

Cultural programmes at Dasara Exhibition

Mysuru, Dec. 12- The Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA) has organised cultural programmes at P. Kalingarao Gaana Mantapa in the evenings at the ongoing Dasara exhibition.

The programmes are as follows:

Dec. 12 - 5 pm to 7 pm: Sugama Sangeetha by Dr. Poornimananda and team, **7 pm to 9.30 pm:** Musical nite by C.Yogashri and team.

Dec. 13 - 4.30 pm to 6 pm: Classical folk dance performance by Tanmayi and team, **6 pm to 10 pm:** Musical nite by Saptaswara Orchestra.

Dec.14 - 4.30 pm to 6 pm: Classical folk dance performance by Tanmayi and team, **6 pm to 10 pm -** Musical nite by Bengaluru's Retro team.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

FAITH, LOVE AND FILIAL DUTY: *A few scientists doing an experiment offered a boy a handsome sum of money if he would allow himself to be let down by a rope over a cliff in a precipitous mountain gorge. The boy longed for the money, for he was poor, but when he looked down into the two-hundred-foot chasm, he said, "No." After further persuasion he said, "I will go if my father holds the rope." That is "faith." He had confidence in his father; he believed in his father and by an act of the will, he allowed his father to fasten the rope around him and let him down and earned the money.*

Yes, that is the faith children usually have in their parents — but will children take care with the same faith when parents need them in life situations? Yes... Such exemplary children do exist. In a world where love is often praised but rarely proven, I read about one son who showed what true love for parents really means — when his father's health rapidly declined and doctors declared that only a liver transplant could save him, the young man, without any fear or doubt, stepped forward and offered 65% of his liver, placing his father's life above his own.

The medical procedure was an act of pure, unconditional love. This son has proved that the bonds of love, trust and faith between parents and children are the most powerful and natural attributes. But the other side are those ingrates, the children who believe they are just entitled to enjoy the property but care nothing for parents and neglect them. Shame on them!

A woman who endures the pain of childbirth, which it is said is equivalent to breaking 20 bones, is the mother — and a man who tries to smoothen the roughness of the road his children tread is the father! Only those children who realise their value will not break their hearts by behaving heartlessly and senselessly.

There is an obligation of children to look after and maintain their parents as an unconditional statutory duty under the "Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007" and it is not dependent on whether the child is in possession of, or will inherit, the parent's property. The Court observed that abandonment or neglect of an elderly parent is a punishable act.

— Ambika Ananth in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Man building his Titanic shaped villa

Darjeeling: A farmer in West Bengal has been working on an unusual-looking house modelled after the famous RMS Titanic ship that sank after colliding with an iceberg.

Mintu Roy, a man from Darjeeling district, has been dreaming of living in a house shaped like the Titanic since he was a small child growing up in Kolkata. During the Durga Puja festival, he was so impressed with a Titanic-shaped pandal that he decided to one day build his own house to resemble the iconic passenger liner. Today, at age 52, Roy still hasn't given up on his dream and he is working hard to finish his already impressive Titanic house.

Roy hopes to finish the house in the next two years and hopefully open a small restaurant or tea shop on the top floor, as an extra source of income. Even in its current unfinished state, the 39-foot-long, 13-foot-wide, and 30-foot-high house has become a major tourist attraction in the area.

This gilded house is an ode to gold

Can Tho: An entrepreneur in Can Tho, Vietnam's fourth-largest city, has been getting a lot of attention for his unique home, which is gilded both inside and out.

Nguyen Van Trung is a Vietnamese businessman who reportedly made his fortune in the real-estate business.

After visiting many countries around the world, he decided to return to his home city and build a house with a real touristic appeal, and after speaking with a home decorator he decided to go for a gold theme. From the walls to the furniture and various decorations, everything looks like it's made of gold or at least gold-plated.

HEALTH CAPSULE

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Vishwamitra Pratibha Puraskar for Brahmin students on Dec.13

Mysuru, Dec.12 (GA&DM)- Vishwamitra Pratibha Puraskar will be presented to meritorious Brahmin community students of Mysuru and Bengaluru divisions at a programme organised under the aegis of State-run Karnataka State Brahmin Development Board at Sarada Vilas Educational Institutions auditorium in Krishnamurthypuram here at 10.30 am on Dec.13.

Announcing this at a press meet, Board Chairman Asagodu Jaisimha said that Health Minister Dinesh Gundurao will inaugurate the programme. K.R. MLA T.S. Srivatsa will preside. Revenue Minister Krishna Byre Gowda will distribute sanction letters to beneficiaries of Vipra (Brahmins) self-employment direct loan scheme. District in-charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa will present Pratibha Puraskar to nearly 100 students who scored high marks in SSLC.

MLAs G.T. Devegowda, Tanveer Sait and K. Harishgowda, MLC Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah, former MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev, District Brahmins Association President D.T. Prakash, Vipra Mahila Sangha President Dr. K.V. Lakshmidevi, Akhila Karnataka Brahmin Mahasabha Organising Secretary N. Srikanta Kumar and others will be present.

Jaisimha said that the Rs.10 crore grant given to the Board every year by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah was being used to set up domestic industries for Brahmin community women. The State Congress Government has economically strengthened the Brahmin community through various schemes and grants, he said.

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Student: *"Homework," because it never ends!?*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

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VOICE OF THE READER

Chamundi Vihar Stadium faces neglect, apathy

Sir,

Every evening, I make it a habit to go for a walk, enjoying the fresh air and a peaceful environment. Today, I chose to visit the renowned Chamundi Vihar Stadium, expecting a clean, well-maintained space suitable for fitness enthusiasts, families and children.

However, to my surprise, the reality was quite disappointing. Apart from the red athletic track — which still stands out as the only well-kept area — the rest of the stadium showed clear signs of neglect. Bushes and dry leaves were scattered everywhere, giving the stadium an unkempt and abandoned look.

For a facility of such size and importance, it is disheartening to see the lack of maintenance. There seems to be no dedicated effort toward cleaning or ensuring basic hygiene. The toilets, too, were in an unhygienic condition, making them unusable for visitors.

What is more concerning is the lack of safety measures, especially for women and children who frequently visit the stadium. Proper supervision and security presence were completely missing.

Additionally, instead of collecting and disposing of garbage responsibly, some workers were burning waste on the premises, creating health and environmental hazards.

Chamundi Vihar Stadium is a valuable public asset and it deserves proper care. I hope that the authorities concerned take immediate action to improve cleanliness, enhance safety and restore the stadium to the standard it is meant to uphold.

—Kaleemulla Baig

Mysuru 6.12.2025

Rangayana invites applications

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (VNS) - Rangayana Mysuru has invited applications from publishers and handicraft artisans to exhibit their books and artifacts at the Bahuroopi National Theatre Festival to be held from Jan. 12 to 18 at Rangayana premises.

This year, Rangayana has given special priority for artisans involved in cottage industries to create, exhibit and sell their artifacts. Applications will be available at Rangayana office on Vinoba Road from Dec. 15 during the office hours. **Last date to submit the filled in applications is Dec. 30.**

For details, contact Ph: 0821-2512639 or Mob: 93414-93458.

Bhagavan Memorial English debate contest: Entries invited

Mysuru, Dec. 12- Rotary Club of Mysore Midtown, in association with Trinity Group of Institutions and Inner Wheel Club of Mysore Midtown, will be conducting the Bhagavan Memorial English Debate Competition for students of Classes 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 on Dec. 16 (Tuesday) at 9.30 am at Trinity College, Mysuru.

The event aims to encourage critical thinking, communication skills and confidence among students. Participants will have the opportunity to present their views on contemporary topics, engage in healthy discussions and sharpen their debating abilities in an inspiring academic environment. Attractive cash prizes will be awarded — 1st prize: Rs. 5,000; 2nd: Rs. 3,000; 3rd: Rs. 2,000.

Winners will receive medals and all participants will receive certificates. For registration, interested schools and students across Mysuru and surroundings may contact Usha Hosmani on Mob: +91 99450-13697 or Nischita on Mob: +91 74833-08783.

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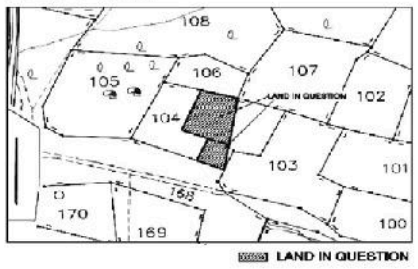

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NEWS BRIEFS

Power disruption tomorrow

As Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) has taken up underground cable laying works at Silk Factory and Kanakagiri Feeders coming under South Power Distribution Centre, power supply will be disrupted on Dec. 13 between 10 am and 6 pm in the following areas: CSRTI Quarters, surrounding areas of Apoorva Hotel, Chamundipuram Circle, St. Mary's Circle, Vidyaranyapuram 1st Main to 5th Main, JLB Road and surrounding areas, according to a press release from the Executive Engineer, CESC, N.R. Mohalla Division.

District conference

The Mysuru unit of General Insurance Employees' All India Association (GIEAIA) will be holding its 5th District Conference on Dec. 13 at Sree Guru Residency on JLB Road in city. The conference will be presided by GIEAIA Southern Zone President Com. R. Sreenivasa Murthy and GIEAIA Southern Zone Bengaluru Branch Regional Secretary Com. R. Bharath. For details, contact Mob: 77600-66809 or 87927-75758.

Free skill training at BSNL Centre

BSNL Zonal Telecom Training Centre (ZTTC), Mysuru, under Govt. of India Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana 4.0 (PMKVY 4.0 Skill development) is conducting free technical courses from Dec. 15 in Mysuru. Free NSDC courses offered under PMKVY 4.0 include Optical Fibre Technician; Optical Fibre Splicer; Broadband Technician and Wireless Technician. Unemployed youths (12th passed/ Diploma 2nd year passed / Any Degree) may register via ***https://www.rttcmysore.bsnl.co.in***

Tennis ball cricket tournament

Mangalotsava Events will be organising Knockout Kings Truf Edition, a tennis ball cricket tournament on Dec. 25 (Thursday) at Patel Turf Box in Srirampura in city. The winning team will be awarded with cash price and trophy. Interested can contact Mob: 70196-07205.

Ph.D awardee

V.P. Somashekara has been awarded Ph.D in Kannada by the University of Mysore (UoM), for his thesis 'Boregowda Chikkamarali Avara Sahityada Adhyayana' submitted under the guidance of Dr. H.M. Nagesha.

CM's air travel expenses soar

Rs. 12.23 crore in 2023-24 to Rs. 21.11 crore in 2024-25; Rs. 14.03 crore between October and November 2025

Belagavi, Dec 12 (UNI)- Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's air travel expenditure has surged dramatically, setting the stage for a major political flashpoint.

Official records tabled before the Legislative Council reveal a steep and consistent rise in Government spending on chartered aircraft and helicopters over the past three financial periods.

According to detailed expenditure statements, the State spent Rs. 12.23 crore on the Chief Minister's chartered flights in 2023-24. This figure jumped sharply to Rs. 21.11 crore in 2024-25, an increase of nearly 75 percent in a single year.

What is poised to provoke the strongest response from the Opposition is the bill for the following period. A separate annexure shows that Rs. 14.03 crore was spent between October and November 2025 alone — a span of just two months.

Picture for representation only.

The two-month expenditure nearly matches the entire spending of 2023-24, prompting Opposition leaders to term it "uncontrolled rise" in VIP travel costs.

The information was furnished in a written reply to BJP MLC N. Ravi Kumar, who sought item-wise details of the Chief Minister's air travel bills.

Fixed-wing flights to metropolitan hubs

The data, compiled by the Public Works Department's Buildings Division, covers helicopters and fixed-wing aircraft hired for official tours within Karnataka and to cities such as New Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Hyderabad, and Shirdi.

The records cite extensive helicopter travel to Mysuru, Hubballi, Belagavi, Kalaburagi, Udupi, Chitradurga, Haveri and Bidar, in addition to fixed-wing flights to metropolitan hubs. Many entries are labelled "Chief Minister and others aircraft sector," indicating that the aircraft were hired for delegations accompanying the CM during official visits.

BJP leaders are expected to launch a more aggressive attack on the Congress Government, arguing that such steep and recurring expenditure is unjustifiable at a time when Karnataka is facing financial strain, drought advisories and mounting demands for increased welfare allocations.

Political observers point out that the upward trajectory — Rs. 12.23 crore, Rs. 21.11 crore, and Rs. 14.03 crore in just two months — gives the Opposition a concrete and quantifiable issue to spotlight mismanagement and misplaced priorities.

With the legislature's winter session underway, the revelations are likely to dominate proceedings as both sides prepare for a heated confrontation over transparency, financial discipline and the rising cost of governance.

5-day MyBuild-2025 expo begins

BAI National President Rajendra Singh Kamboh addressing the gathering during the inauguration of MyBuild-25 expo, organised by the Mysuru Centre of Builders Association of India (BAI) in city last evening as Public TV Chairman and Managing Director H.R. Ranganath, who was the chief guest and others look on. Picture right shows a section of audience including BAI and Spoorthi Ladies Wing members.

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (VVH&DM)- The 5-day Silver Jubilee edition of MyBuild-25 expo, organised by the Mysuru Centre of Builders Association of India (BAI) began at the sprawling Maharaja College Grounds here yesterday.

Speaking after inaugurating the expo, senior Journalist and Public TV Chairman and Managing Director H.R. Ranganath said Mysureans are the people who walk along with history. Highlighting the historical importance of Mysuru, he wished the Expo celebrates its centenary at Mysuru.

Regretting that of late, associations are not surviving for long and this is mainly due to one upmanship, Ranganath observed that associations and organisations should overcome all this and survive for long to meet the expectations of the people. Lauding BAI Mysuru Centre for organising this Silver Jubilee edition of the expo, he said that it is a matter of pride for any organisation to celebrate its silver jubilee and BAI should be happy at having travelled this far without any hiccups.

Calling upon the investors not to hesitate for investing in Mysuru, which has its own brand, he lauded Mysuru for being a peaceful city without traffic hassles and not being a city with a high density of population. He complimented BAI for giving prominence to women in its organisation and taking up social activities round the year.

BAI National President Rajendra Singh Kamboh in his address, said that technology is the future of the country.

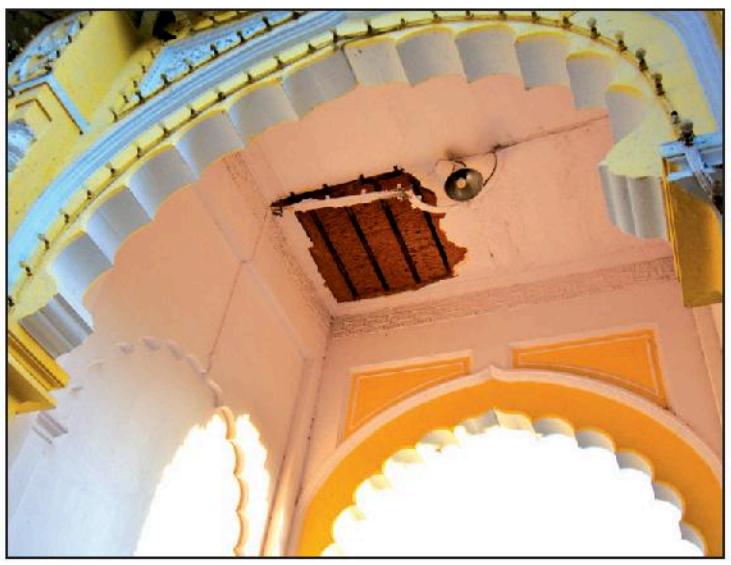
In this backdrop, this expo provides an opportunity to new things and the latest developments in the construction industry, he noted.

BAI National Vice-President-Southern Region D.V.N. Reddy, BAI Mysuru Centre Chairman V. Srinath, Hon. Secretary C.D. Krishna, MyBuild-25 Chairman R. Ramesh Rao, Hon. Secretary N. Lokesh Gowda and others were present.

MyBuild-25 features exhibition of construction materials, interiors and lifestyles. There are about 300 stalls, with many national and international companies displaying their innovative products, which include building materials, pavements, generators, plumbing systems, bathroom fittings, kitchen cabinets, interiors, floor tiles, roofing materials, prefab buildings, construction chemicals, construction equipment etc. The expo is open from 10 am to 9 pm till Dec. 15.

Varaha Gate roof portion collapses at Mysore Palace

Bike damaged, no injuries; incident sparks structural safety concerns



Mysuru, Dec. 12 (PM&BCT)- A section of the concrete roof above the Varaha Gate of the world-famous Mysore Palace collapsed yesterday, triggering fresh concerns over the structural stability of the century-old monument.

Fortunately, as public entry through this particular gate is currently restricted, no visitors were in harm's way when the incident occurred around 11.30 am.

The Varaha Gate, located on the southern side of the Palace near the Varahaswamy Temple, is one of the important entrances traditionally used by tourists for entry and exit.

However, only the smaller adjacent pathways are currently in use for visitor movement, leaving the main archway closed. As a result, when the concrete roof gave way, the area was empty, averting what could have been a major accident.

Structural weakening?

A Home Guard's motorcycle parked nearby was severely damaged by the falling debris. Palace staff noted that had vehicles or personnel been present at the spot, serious injuries were likely.

The collapse left iron rods exposed and sparked renewed concerns about possible structural weakening. Palace authorities swiftly cleared the debris and cleaned the area.

Engineers on site have called for urgent repairs to prevent further deterioration, with conservation experts emphasising the need for a comprehensive restoration plan for the historic landmark.

The Mysore Palace, built between 1897 and 1912 in the Indo-Saracenic style by English architect Henry Irwin, is admired for its distinctive domes, square towers and ornate architectural details. However, with the structure now over a century old, incidents of wear and damage have begun surfacing more frequently.

Damage near Jayarama Gate

In a separate incident, heavy damage has been reported to a Palace wall near Jayarama Gate, adjacent to Sri Vonteramacharya Anjaneya Swamy Temple.

This section — once home to the Kannada Sahitya Parishat office — has seen bricks dislodged, leaving a gaping hole in the wall.

Experts caution that even moderate rainfall could trigger a full collapse of the weakened structure, leading to extensive destruction.

Speaking on the roof collapse, Mysore Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subramanya said: "The concrete portion has collapsed in a restricted zone where there is no public movement. The Palace complex spans 72 acres and houses a century-old structure. Therefore, such incidents occasionally occur."

"The Civil Engineering Division of the Palace Board conducts periodic inspections. A similar situation had earlier occurred at the Amba Vilasa Gate as well. The present damage will be repaired and managed appropriately," he added.

MP seeks legal framework to protect heritage cities

Yaduveer

New Delhi, Dec. 12 (BCT)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar has urged the Ministry of Urban Development to establish a strong legal and policy framework to support the growth and preservation of India's traditional cities, including Mysuru, the cultural capital.

Speaking during a special discussion in the Lok Sabha on Thursday, the MP pointed out that traditional cities across the country are grappling with serious challenges. He noted that uncontrolled and unscientific urbanisation has triggered multiple problems, threatening the very heritage character of these historic centres.

Yaduveer stressed the need for the Ministry to put in place a comprehensive legal and policy mechanism to nurture and safeguard traditional urban heritage.

He further underlined the importance of effective heritage conservation through private partnerships, digital mapping of traditional urban spaces, preservation of civic identity and settlements and protection of culture, collective memory and archival repositories.

"Our culture, memories and repositories must be safeguarded. It is essential to protect and preserve them for future generations," he asserted.

Pulse Polio Drive from Dec. 21 to 24

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (MK&VNS)- The Pulse Polio Immunisation Drive in the district will be held from Dec. 21 to 24. This year, the District Administration targets to administer the polio drops to a total of 2,22,084 children who are below five-years-old.

Presiding over the preliminary meeting at ZP auditorium, Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy said the drive at the booth-level will be held from 8 am to 5 pm and home visits will be held from Dec. 22 to 24.

The District Administration will operate 50 mobile centres and set up 1,648 booths to ensure every child below five is immunised. He instructed the officials to deploy nursing students along with nurses to assist in the drive.

WHO Medical Officer Dr. Sudheer Nayak said not a single case of polio was reported in last 14 years apart from one case reported in the State during 2007.

"Children will be applied with indelible ink on their finger to avoid being immunised twice," he said and added that children of migrant workers must be identified and immunised without fail.

ZP CEO S. Ukesh Kumar, MCC Commissioner Shaikh Tanveer Asif, District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. P.C. Kumaraswamy, District Surveillance Officer (DSO) Dr. D.G. Nagaraju, Reproductive and Child Health Officer (RCHO) Dr. Mohammed Siraj and others were present.

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ಕೃಷಿ ಉತ್ಪನ್ನ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ಸಮಿತಿ, ಕೃಷ್ಣರಾಜನಗರ

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ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಕೆ.ಆರ್.ನಗರ ಕೃಷಿ ಉತ್ಪನ್ನ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ಸಮಿತಿಯ ತರಕಾರಿ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ಪ್ರಾಂಗಣ ಹಾಗೂ ಸಾಲಿಗ್ರಾಮ ಉಪ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ಪ್ರಾಂಗಣದಲ್ಲಿ ನಿರ್ಮಿಸಿರುವ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಸಣ್ಣ ಅಂಗಡಿ ಮಳಿಗೆಗಳನ್ನು ಕೃಷಿ ಉತ್ಪನ್ನ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ವ್ಯವಹಾರ (ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ಪ್ರಾಂಗಣದಲ್ಲಿ ಸ್ಥಿತ್ತಿನ ಹಂಚಿಕೆ ನಿಯಂತ್ರಣ) ನಿಯಮಗಳು 2004 ರ ರನ್ವಯ ಲೀವ್ ಅಂಡ್ ಲೈಸನ್ಸ್ ಶುಲ್ಕದ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇಲೆ ಜೇಷ್ಠತೆಯ ಮೇಲೆ ಗರಿಷ್ಠ 55 ತಿಂಗಳ ಅವಧಿಗೆ ಪ್ರತಿ 11 ತಿಂಗಳಿಗೊಮ್ಮೆ ನವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಷರತ್ತಿಗೊಳಪಟ್ಟು ಹಾಗೂ 33 ತಿಂಗಳುಗಳ ನಂತರ ಶೇ 5 ರಷ್ಟನ್ನು ಹೆಚ್ಚಿಸುವ ಷರತ್ತಿಗೊಳಪಟ್ಟು ಹಂಚಿಕೆ ಮಾಡಲು ಅರ್ಹ ಪೇಟೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಕರ್ತರಿಂದ ಅರ್ಜಿಗಳನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

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ಷರತ್ತು ಮತ್ತು ನಿಬಂಧನೆಗಳು: 1) ನೊಂದಣಿ ಶುಲ್ಕ ರೂ.500/–ಗಳನ್ನು ಕಛೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾವತಿಸಿ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಿ ನಿಗದಿತ ನಮೂನೆ – 1 ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಿ ನೊಂದಾಯಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿ: 26.12.2025ರ ಸಂಜೆ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆ ವರೆಗೆ. 2. ನೊಂದಾವಣೆ ಪಡೆದ ಅರ್ಜಿದಾರರು ನಿಗಧಿತ ನಮೂನೆಯೊಂದಿಗೆ ಮುಂಗಡ ಹಣ ಪಾವತಿಸಿ, ಅರ್ಜಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿ: 31.12.2025ರ ಸಂಜೆ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ. 3) ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ, ಕೃಷಿ ಉತ್ಪನ್ನ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ಸಮಿತಿ, ಕೆ.ಆರ್.ನಗರ ಇವರ ಹೆಸರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಮುಂಗಡ ಹಣ ಠೇವಣಿಯ ಡಿ.ಡಿ ಏರೀದಿಸಿ ಕೆ.ಆರ್.ನಗರದಲ್ಲಿ ನಗದಾಗುವಂತೆ ಕಛೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವುದು. 4) ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಕೃಷಿ ಉತ್ಪನ್ನ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ವ್ಯವಹಾರ (ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ಪ್ರಾಂಗಣದಲ್ಲಿ ಸ್ಥಿತ್ತಿನ ಹಂಚಿಕೆ ನಿಯಂತ್ರಣ) ನಿಯಮಗಳು 2004 ಕ್ರ.ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ (1) ರಲ್ಲಿ ಮಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 03 ಅನ್ನು ರಂತೆ ಪರಿಶಿಷ್ಟ ಜಾತಿಗೆ, ಮಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 06 ಅನ್ನು ರೈತ ಉತ್ಪಾದಕ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯವರಿಗೆ ಮೀಸಲಿರಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಕ್ರಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ (2) ರಲ್ಲಿ, ಮಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 03 ಅನ್ನು ಪರಿಶಿಷ್ಟ ಜಾತಿಯವರಿಗೆ, ಮಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 04 ಅನ್ನು ರೈತ ಉತ್ಪಾದಕ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯವರಿಗೆ ಮೀಸಲಿರಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. 5) ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಷರತ್ತು ಹಾಗು ನಿಬಂಧನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ ಸಹಿ/– ಆಡಳಿತಾಧಿಕಾರಿ

ಕೃಷಿ ಉತ್ಪನ್ನ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ಸಮಿತಿ, ಕೆ.ಆರ್.ನಗರ ಕೃಷಿ ಉತ್ಪನ್ನ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ಸಮಿತಿ, ಕೆ.ಆರ್.ನಗರ

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Specially-abled children make merry at Kids Carnival

Mysuru, Dec.12 (MK&DM)- It was a special day for specially-abled children as they made merry at the day-long Kids Carnival organised under the joint aegis of Mysore Heritage Round Table-109 and Mysore Heritage Ladies Circle-109 at Jayamma Govindegowda Kalyana Mantapa in Kuvempunagar here this morning.

Speaking after inaugurating the carnival, City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar said that this was a wonderful event for specially-abled kids, which provides a perfect platform for exhibiting their talent. "I am also deeply impressed by the dress and costumes of the participant children. At a time when it seems that we have forgotten the lighter side of our life, these children have brought back the laughter once again."

"There is no dearth of joy when children are around. It is important to note that our specially-abled children have achieved big in national and international events. The success of these children must be emulated," she noted.

Deputy Conservator of Forest (DCF) K. Paramesha said that it is important to organise such programmes for unearthing natural talent among children. Stressing on the need for building confidence among children and to encourage them in their area of interest, he said he would like to thank the specially- abled children, their parents and teachers for participating in this programme.

Shivakumar, Proprietor of *Mahalakshmi Sweets,* in his address, said that he was extremely moved to see specially-abled children mingling with their friends and participating in various activities.

More than 200 children from various special schools across the city took part in this event.

District Disabled Welfare Officer K.S. Raghavendra, Kalyana Mantapa Proprietor Arun Gowda, Diya Foundation Trustee Namrata Shenoy, Ladies Circle Area-13 Chairperson Nagashree Nikhilesh, Kids Carnival Organising Chairman Tr. Siddesh, Secretary Tr. Vinayak, Treasurer Tr. Sharad and others were present.

Ranga Rathna-2025 Award presented

Theatre artiste and director Dr. Sahana Pinjar, who was conferred Ranga Rathna Award at a function held at Kiru Rangamandira in Kalamandira premises in city this morning, seen with senior theatre artiste Dr. Rameshwari Varma, Kuvempu University Vice-Chancellor Dr. U.A. Sharath Ananthamurthy and others.

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (MK&VNS)- Ranga Rathna-2025 Award instituted by Canada-based Belly Meditation Master Tarneiv and Engineer N.S. Anand was presented to theatre artiste and Director Dr. Sahana Pinjar at a function held at Kiru Rangamandira in Kalamandira premises, this morning.

The award comprising Rs. 10,000 cash prize and a citation was presented to her by Kuvempu University Vice-Chancellor Dr. U.A. Sharath Ananthamurthy.

Later, the English play 'Ayaan Shanthi Kuteera' written by late Na. Rathna was released by senior theatre artiste Dr. Rameshwari Varma.

Na. Rathna's daughter Kavitha Rathna and son Ajith Rathna, senior theatre artiste Rathna Mirle and others were present.

MDMA racket: Shed locked, three accused still on the run

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (BLU&BCT)- The makeshift industrial shed inside a vehicle garage on the Ring Road service lane at Belavatta, where a massive MDMA (Methylenedioxymethamphetamine) drug racket was busted in July this year, has remained locked ever since the operation.

Police sources revealed that three more accused in the case are still absconding. These individuals are said to be aides of the four persons already arrested, and were allegedly responsible for supplying MDMA consignments manufactured inside the unit.

A senior officer confirmed that Police teams have been dispatched to Mumbai and Gujarat to trace the absconding accused, but efforts have not yielded results so far.

"They are avoiding mobile phone usage and have cut off contact with family members, making it difficult for us to track them. This has been a major hurdle in the investigation. However, efforts to apprehend them are continuing," the officer said.

Houses rented to foreign drug peddlers to be razed

Home Minister Dr. Parameshwar in Assembly

Belagavi, Dec. 12 (KMS&BCT)- The State Government has issued a stern warning that houses rented out to foreign nationals involved in drug rackets will be demolished.

Dr. Parameshwar

Home Minister Dr. G. Parameshwar told the ongoing Winter Session of the Legislature in Belagavi yesterday that, despite sustained Government efforts to curb narcotics, some foreigners continue to operate the trade by colluding with local residents.

"To put an end to this menace, if houses rented to such individuals are demolished, landlords will hesitate to lease their properties to those engaged in drug trafficking. This will prevent them from staying in the State for long periods. Such tough measures are necessary," the Minister said.

He added that many foreigners enter the State under the pretext of education or tourism but indulge in drug rackets. Arresting them often works to the advantage of traffickers legally, he noted.

Anti-Drug Drive: Police tighten noose

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City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar told *Star of Mysore* this morning that the target is to make Mysuru drug-free. "We have been waging a war against drugs and operations have now intensified. Teams are targeting drug peddlers, stockists, transporters and consumers. Friends and aides of drug peddlers are being traced, tracked and monitored. All are being dealt with firmly under the law," she said.

"We are conducting surprise visits to homes, neighbourhoods, educational institutions and raiding defunct industrial sheds as well as concealed sheds with high walls on Outer Ring Road and in city. These locations are being checked for any drug-related manufacturing or storage activity," the Commissioner added.

She also stressed the crucial role of parents and teachers in combating drug menace. "Parents must closely observe their children's activities. Teachers have an even greater responsibility. Any suspicious behaviour, changes in body language, disinterest in studies or sudden shifts in routine must be noted," she said.

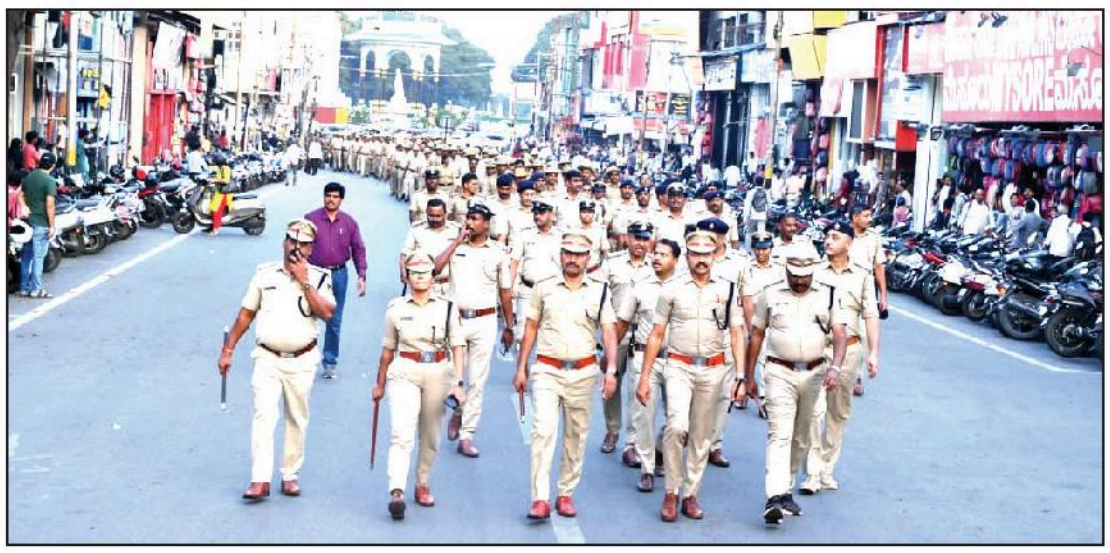
Seema Latkar *Vishnuvardhana*

District update

Mysuru SP N. Vishnuvardhana said the District Police too are maintaining constant vigil. Awareness campaigns are held at schools and colleges.

"We have visited 166 colleges in Mysuru, reaching out to 14,000 students to spread awareness about drug abuse. Our informant and intelligence network has been reactivated and strengthened for effective monitoring. People entering Mysuru district from outside are being screened and their identities, phone numbers and addresses are being recorded," he said.

Hanuma Jayanti tomorrow:
City Police take out route march



Mysuru, Dec. 12 (KS)- With Hanuma Jayanti being celebrated in city tomorrow, City Police yesterday took out a route march to instil confidence among the public and also to show that they were ready to prevent any untoward incidents from taking place during the celebration.

The Police, led by DCPs R.N. Bindu Mani (Law and Order) and K.S. Sundar Raj (Crime and Traffic), conducted the route march from Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple at the North Gate of Mysore Palace passing via Town Hall, Silver Jubilee Clock Tower, D. Devaraj Urs Road, Narayana Shastri Road, Chamaraja Double Road and culminated at Gun House Circle covering a distance of 5 kilometres.

Assistant Commissioners of Police (ACPs) of all Sub-Divisions, Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors of all Police Stations, Karnataka State Reserve Police (KSRP) battalion and staff numbering about 485 took part in the route march.

House burgled in broad daylight at NR Mohalla

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (KS) - Burglars, who broke into a house in broad daylight, have decamped with gold ornaments worth about Rs. 1.45 lakh from the house.

The burglary took place on Dec. 9 in the house of Somashekar at AJ Block in NR Mohalla.

On Dec. 9 morning, Somashekar's daughter, who works as a Junior Accountant at a vehicle showroom left for work. Later, her brother left for college after locking the door of the house.

When Somashekar returned at about 5 pm, he found the front door forcibly opened and on entering the house, he found the household items scattered in the house and informed about it to his daughter.

When Somashekar's daughter came home and inspected the house, she found the almirah opened forcibly and a gold necklace, earrings and other gold ornaments worth about Rs. 1.45 lakh stolen.

Based on the complaint from Somashekar's daughter, NR Police, who have registered a case are investigating.

Issue e-khata within 45 days:
Lokayukta Dy.SP

Lokayukta Dy.SP H.M. Shylendra receiving a complaint from the public at the Taluk Office in Nazarbad on Wednesday as other officials look on.

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (MK&BS)- Lokayukta Dy.SP H.M. Shylendra has instructed the officers concerned to issue e-khata within 45 days of receiving the application to prevent the public from visiting the Office unnecessarily.

He was addressing the officers after receiving complaints from public at the Taluk Office, Nazarbad in city on Wednesday.

The officers should ask for relevant documents while considering the application for e-khata. If no documents are available, an acknowledgement should be issued to the complainant, after receiving the application. They should be advised to provide supportive documents, rather than making them drag their feet for no reasons.

Referring to the complaints, Dy.SP Shylendra said, majority of over 15 complaints received pertain to e-khata, followed by land disputes, drinking water bill and illegal power connections.

A contractor lodged a complaint against Panchayat Development Officer (PDO) for troubling him over clearing a bill towards a work.

Tahsildar Mahesh Kumar said, as Government Officers, if we respond to the public queries, there would be no reason to lodge a complaint. It is our duty to respond to people's grievances within the ambit of law. Executive Officer of Taluk Panchayat Krishna and other officers were present.

Highway crimes: 403 robbery, extortion cases in three years
Be cautious before stopping vehicles at deserted places: Home Department

Bengaluru, Dec. 12 (BCT)- Travellers have been urged to stay alert while driving on National and State Highways, whether using their own vehicles or hired private transport.

The Home Department has cautioned motorists against stopping in isolated stretches if approached by strangers, as incidents of robbery and extortion are steadily rising.

In the last three years, Karnataka has reported 403 such cases. On National Highways alone, 2023 saw 81 extortion and 23 robbery cases, followed by 66 extortion and 16 robbery cases in 2024.

Between January and November 15, 2025, 51 extortion and 14 robbery cases has already been recorded. State Highways have also witnessed troubling trends: 39 extortion and 17 robberies in 2023, 35 extortion and 22 robberies in 2024 and 20 extortion and 19 robberies so far in 2025.

Police admit that curbing highway robberies remains a major challenge, with repeated incidents causing deep public anxiety.

Enhanced night patrols

To counter the threat, checkposts are being set up along vulnerable stretches, where suspicious vehicles and individuals are screened. The Home Department has also supplied Police Stations with motorcycles fitted with sirens and red lights for enhanced night patrols.

Additionally, 112 Emergency Response Support System (ERSS) patrol units have been deployed across highways in three shifts to ensure round-the-clock vigilance.

Known offenders involved in past robberies and property crimes have been issued MOB (Modus Operandi Bureau) cards, enabling surprise checks and close monitoring of their movements. Border coordination meetings are underway, with information on suspects shared across neighbouring States, districts and Police stations.

Highway patrol vehicles are operating regularly and CCTV footages from toll plazas is periodically reviewed.

The Government has also strengthened community policing initiatives, encouraging neighbourhood vigilance to prevent crimes. Police personnel on night beat duty have been instructed to carry weapons and ammunition without fail.

Authorities emphasise that these measures aim to contain the growing menace of highway robberies and extortion and ensure safer travel for the public.

Cyber Crime

Conmen misuse bank logo, cheat senior citizen of Rs. 12 lakh

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (KS)- Online fraudsters, by misusing the logo of a Bank, have cheated a senior citizen of city by transferring over Rs. 12 lakh from the senior citizen's Bank account.

The senior citizen, who was cheated is 67-year-old Ramesh (name changed), a resident of Gangothri Layout in city.

On Dec. 12, Ramesh received a message on his WhatsApp from a number which had the logo of Union Bank of India as the Display Picture (DP). The message asked Ramesh to download VYOM App and update his Bank details.

Believing the message, Ramesh downloaded the App in APK file format and updated the Bank details. Later, an amount of Rs. 10 lakh and again Rs. 2,09,300, totalling Rs. 12,09,300 got transferred through Immediate Payment Service (IMPS) to an unknown Bank account.

Realising that he has been cheated, Ramesh has lodged a complaint at city's CEN Police Station.

Deed Writers to take out Suvarna Soudha Chalo on Dec. 15

Nanjangud, Dec. 12- Claiming that their profession is under threat, Deed Writers will take out a Suvarna Vidhana Soudha Chalo in Belagavi on Dec. 15 in protest against the Government policy which is against their interests.

Addressing a press meet here yesterday, Nanjangud Taluk Deed Writers Association President Prakashraje Urs said that Deed Writers of the taluk will take out Belagavi Suvarna Vidhana Soudha Chalo, where the winter session of the State Legislature is going on. He warned that an indefinite stir will be launched if the State Government does not heed to their demands.

Association office-bearers H.S. Basavaraju, K. Shashidhar, Badanavalu Mahadevappa, H.C. Lokesh Kumar and Hunasanalu Siddaraju were present.

Obituary

B. Chandrashekar

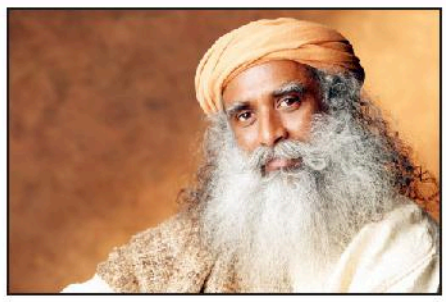
Mysuru, Dec. 12- B. Chandrashekar (62), a resident of Ramabai Nagar, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind one son, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon.

MYSTIC'S MUSINGS

By Sadhguru - Founder, Isha Foundation



DEATH is a fiction

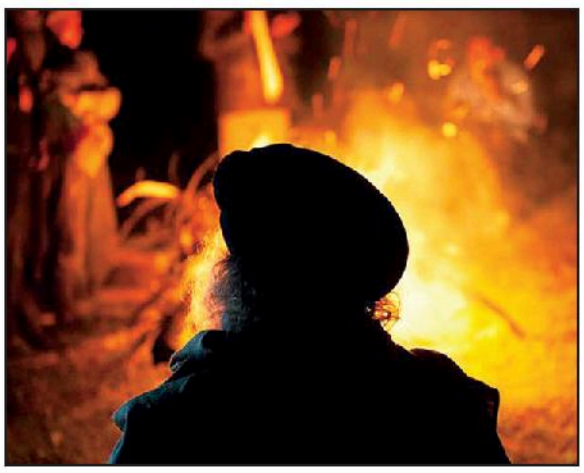
Sadhguru: You have no first-hand experience of death; you never met a dead person; nor did you at anytime see a dead person, you only saw dead bodies; you never met somebody who died and came back and who told you about their death.

So you have not heard it, you have not seen it, you have not experienced it. But still, somewhere you started believing that there is something called 'death.' Death is a fiction created by ignorant people. Death is the creation of the ignorant and unaware. If you are aware, it is life, life and life alone.

If one has to experience the eternal nature of life, one must kill death. If death is alive, then there is no eternal life. Only when you put death to death, there is eternal life. If we look at life and death as a happening in terms of your experience, one thing that we can look at is your breath. Your inhalation is life, your exhalation is death.

When life began for you as you know it today, when you were born as a child, the first thing that the child does is: one gasp of an inhalation. And, if you look at your life, what is the last thing you are going to do? You may say, 'No, I am going to think about God. I am going to say, Shiva.' No. The last thing that you will do is exhalation. You exhale now; if you do not take the next inhalation that means you are dead.

Right now I want you to experiment and see. You take one big exhalation and one big inhalation and see how your body and your mind is. You will find the exhalation to be more relaxing. In fact, whenever you get tensed up, when things build up too much in you, the natural mechanism in the body wants to exhale. This is what you call as a sigh. It relaxes you a little bit.



"Death is a fiction created by ignorant people. Death is the creation of the ignorant and unaware. If you are aware, it is life, life and life alone."

— Sadhguru

It relaxes you a little bit. If your mind had not banished death as evil, if your traditions and cultures had not taught you that death is evil — it should be avoided — you would breathe in a completely different way. Right now, if you observe, for almost ninety-nine percent of the people, their exhalation is never complete. Because their mind has rejected death, their exhalation will not happen totally. They will inhale, but exhalation does not happen totally. This is one of the reasons why, over a period of time, you build up so much tension within the system that it is reaching a point of snapping, mentally and physiologically.

So between life and death — life needs a certain tension, otherwise you cannot keep it going. Death is utter relaxation. In the very process of life, if you know the relaxation of death, then life is an utterly effortless process.

[Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudev, a yogi, is a visionary, humanitarian and a prominent spiritual leader. An author, poet and internationally-renowned speaker, Sadhguru's wit and piercing logic provoke and widen our perception of life. www.ishafoundation.org]

Carol Singing Contest on Dec. 14

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (GA&KS)- The 33rd Annual Carol Singing Competition, organised by Carmel Catholic Association (CCA), will be held on Dec. 14 (Sunday) at Teresian College auditorium in Siddarthanagar.

Announcing this at a press meet held at Patrakarthara Bhavan in city yesterday, CCA President Prof. Joseph Mathew said that this year's competition will feature 12 categories from Pre-Primary levels to Colleges and Religious Congregations. Over 100 teams are expected to take part in the competition by singing carols in Kannada, English and other regional languages, he added.

Stating that the winners in each category will receive attractive trophies and cash prizes, he said that the institution securing the highest cumulative points will be awarded champions trophy.

Each team will consist of five to fifty members and will sing carols that share messages of peace, joy and unity, he added.

The competition will be inaugurated at 8.30 am by Managing Director of Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL) S. Suhas, who will be present as the chief guest along with Bishop Emeritus of Mysore Diocese Most Rev. Dr. Thomas Antony Vazhappilly.

CCA President Prof. Joseph Mathew addressing the press meet at Patrakarthara Bhavan in city yesterday as** (from left) **Treasurer Paul Antony, Vice-President Johnson Joseph, Committee Member Sade Bose and Secretary - Convenor M.K. Johnny look on.

Provincial St. Pauls Province Mysore and CCA Patron Rev. Fr. Augustine Payampalli CMI and Executive Vice-Chairman of Kaynes Technology Ramesh Kunhikannan will be present as the guests of honour.

CCA President Prof. Joseph Mathew will preside.

The valedictory and prize distribution ceremony will be held at 6.30 pm the same day. *Star of Mysore* Managing Editor Vikram Muthanna will be the chief guest.

Mysore Diocesan Educational Society (MDES) Secretary Rev. Fr. Edward William Saldanha will deliver the valedictory address.

Vice-President (Works) of JK Tyre and Industries Ltd., V. Eswara Rao, Principal of Teresian College Sr. Dr. Rohini and Chief Human Resource Officer of Infosys Shaji Mathew will be present at the guests of honour.

CCA Vice-President Johnson Joseph, Treasurer Paul Antony, Secretary and Convenor M.K. Johnny and Committee Member Sade Bose were present at the press meet.

Month-long free eye check-up camp for seniors

Mysuru, Dec.12- **ASG Eye Hospital,** which completes 20 years of service, is conducting a month-long free eye check-up camp for senior citizens in Mysuru district. The free check-up camp, which will be held **till Jan. 9, 2026,** aims to promote early detection and timely treatment of age-related eye conditions. Seniors attending the camp must carry their Aadhaar card for registration.

Senior Eye Specialists Dr. Mahesh Kumar, Dr. T. Roshan, Dr. Luci Kaweri and Dr. Vini Badlani said the special camp reflects ASG's continued commitment to providing accessible and quality eye care to the community.

For appointments, senior citizens may pre-book by calling Mob:78494 32991 or Ph: 0821-2341946 or 2341947.

Winter seed festival

Mysuru, Dec.12- Sahaja Samrudha and Sahaja Seeds will be organising Winter Seed Festival (Maagi Mela) on **Dec. 13 and 14** at Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry in city .

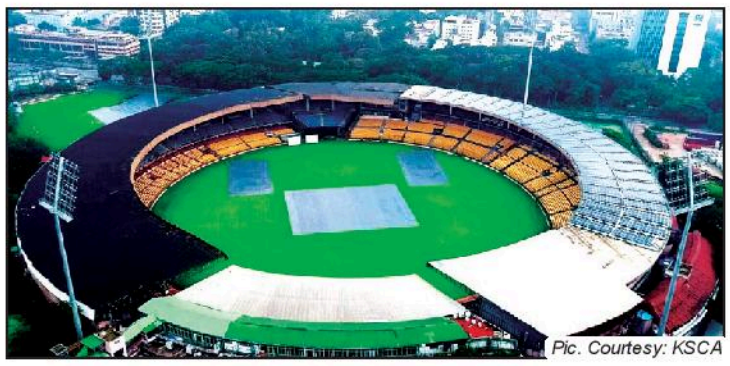
Freshly harvested crops such as avarekai, togari kai, tender groundnut, purple yam, red-husked jowar and vine potatoes will be available for sale and display.

Sahaja Seeds will open a stall selling seeds of winter vegetables such as carrot, watermelon, muskmelon, beetroot, cauliflower, cabbage, lettuce, as well as desi varieties like Siddi Sanna, Navara and Jagalooru ragi.

Food stalls will offer a variety of avarekalu dishes. Many varieties of gourds will also be displayed. Farmers will showcase and sell Christmas decorative dolls made from gourds. Millets and organic products, value-added items, natural cosmetics, bamboo products, traditional toys and desi rice varieties will be available at the festival.

For details contact K.S. Manju on Mob:95351-49520.

Cabinet gives 'conditional nod' for matches at Chinnaswamy Stadium


Pic. Courtesy: KSCA

Belagavi, Dec. 12 (Agencies)- The Karnataka State Cabinet yesterday gave conditional nod for Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA) to host international and IPL matches at M. Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru, subject to compliance with the safety and security requirements, said official sources.

The cabinet has recommended that KSCA must implement the recommendations of John Michael D'Cunha Commission which in its report had concluded that the "design and structure" of the ground was "unsuitable and unsafe" for mass gatherings.

The stampede took place during the Royal Challengers Bengaluru's (RCB) IPL victory celebration. The panel had recommended measures such as adequate gates for mass entry and exit, purpose-built queuing and circulation zones separated from public roads, emergency evacuation plans compliant with international safety norms and sufficient parking among others.

The cabinet has also decided to handover the responsibility of security at the stadium to Home Department headed by Home Minister Dr. G. Parameshwar.

The decision to allow the matches at M. Chinnaswamy Stadium has come as a big relief for cricket administrators and fans. KSCA had not been permitted to hold matches following June 4 stampede during which 11 people had lost their lives and several others were injured.

It may be recalled that newly-elected KSCA office-bearers headed by KSCA President Venkatesh Prasad had met Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy CM D.K. Shivakumar with a request to allow M. Chinnaswamy Stadium to hold matches agreeing to the conditions stipulated by the authorities.

Following this, Deputy CM D.K. Shivakumar had said that the Government had no intention of stopping cricket matches at Chinnaswamy Stadium but had mentioned about implementing Michael D'Cunha Commission suggestions in a phased manner.

Four-day 'Kreedotkarsha' begins

DIGP (Southern Range) Dr. M.B. Boralingaiah** (fourth from left), **University of Mysore Vice-Chancellor Prof. N.K. Lokanath and International Women's Kho Kho Player B. Chaithra seen watering a plant to inaugurate the four-day 16th Inter-Horticulture University Sports Meet titled 'Kreedotkarsha - 2025' at University of Mysore Athletic Grounds (Oval Grounds) in city yesterday as others look on.

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (GA&VNS)- The four-day 16th Inter-Horticulture University Sports Meet 'Kreedotkarsha - 2025' jointly organised by University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot and College of Horticulture, Mysuru, began at University of Mysore Athletic Grounds here yesterday.

The sports meet was inaugurated by DIGP (Southern Range) Dr. M.B. Boralingaiah, University of Mysore Vice-Chancellor Prof. N.K. Lokanath and International Women's Kho Kho Player B. Chaithra by releasing the balloons and watering a plant.

A total of 630 athletes from 10 Horticulture Universities across the State are taking part in the sports meet which features track and field events including kho kho, kabaddi, volleyball, basketball and athletic events.

University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot, Vice-Chancellor Dr. Vishnuvardhan, Department of Physical Education (UoM) Director Dr. C. Venkatesh, Department of Information and Public Relations Assistant Director A.S. Nirmala and others were present.

State Govt. to reserve jobs for sportspersons

Belagavi, Dec. 12 (Agencies)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah yesterday announced that the State Government will implement 3 percent reservation in Forest and Police Department and 2 percent reservation in various other Departments for sportspersons.

Responding to a question by MLC Ivan D'Souza at Legislative Council, regarding providing reservation in government jobs, developing sports infrastructure and promoting the sport of kabaddi, CM Siddaramaiah stated that the government has appointed 13 athletes, who won medals at the Olympics, Paralympics, Commonwealth and Asian Games.

"In the Police Department, 70 Constables and 14 Police Sub-Inspectors have been directly appointed. The government will provide reservation to athletes in the Forest Department, the Police Department and various other Departments. The government will also consider providing more encouragement to kabaddi," he added.

PGL memorial music concert and felicitation programme

Mysuru, Dec. 12- PGL Samsmarana Vedike has organised the 19th year music programmes in memory of the guru and artiste *Karnataka Kalashree* Vid. P.G. Lakshminarayana (PGL) on Dec. 13 and 14 at Vasudevacharya Bhavana, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, on JLB Road in city.

On Dec. 13 at 6 pm, renowned musician Dr. Sukanya Prabhakar and Art Patron C.R. Himamshu will be felicitated. It will be followed by a Karnatak music vocal duet concert by Dr. Sukanya Prabhakar and Dr. Sumana Vedant accompanied by Vidu. Adithi Krishnaprakash on violin, Vid. G.S. Ramanujan on mridanga and Vid. V.S. Ramesh on morching.

On Dec. 14, there will be a nadaswara recital by Vid. Sreedhara accompanied by Vidu. Prithvi Bhaskar on violin, Vid. M.L. Vadiraj on mridanga and Vid. Shamith Gowda on ghata.

For details, contact A. Radhesh on Mob: 94480-51564.

EVENTS TODAY (DEC. 12)

- **Government Nature Cure & Yoga Medical College and Hospital, Mysuru and Government Ayurveda Research Centre, Mysuru:** Faculty Development Workshop 'PRISM 2025' (Publication, Research Integrity and Scholarly Methods), Government Nature Cure & Yoga Medical College and Hospital, **up to 5 pm.**
- **Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Palace North Gate:** Sri Hanuma Jayanti Mahotsava, Sugama Sangeetha by Harshitha N. Raju, **5.30 pm;** Mandolin recital by Rakshith Prasad and troupe, Temple premises, **7 pm to 9.30 pm.**
- **Builders Association of India (BAI), Mysuru Centre:** 25th edition of MyBuild-25 Exhibition, Maharaja's College Grounds, **upto 9 pm.**
- **Department of Studies in Geography, University of Mysore (UoM):** RUSA-sponsored Conference under Faculty Development Programme on 'Geographical Perspectives of Indian Geo-Politics,' Session on 'Indian ocean as geo-political pivot' by Dr. S. Vishwanatha, Guest Faculty, DoS in Geography, UoM, Geo-Manasa Auditorium, DoS in Geography, Manasagangothri, **3.45 pm to 5.15 pm.**
- **Mysore English Theatre Forum (METF):** First edition of 'Mysuru English Theatre Festival,' Page to Stage - Readings from Indian English Plays, **5 pm;** Inauguration by Dr. V.R. Anil Kumar, Director, Kalpa Heritage Trust and Sreemathi Hariprasad, Senior Theatre Practitioner, Mysuru, **6 pm;** Staging of play 'Two Fathers' by Kalasuruchi, scripted by Sundar Sarukkai and directed by Badarinarayan, Jagannatha Centre for Art and Culture (JCAC), Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **6.30 pm.**
- **Akhila Bharata Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru City Unit:** Endowment Programme, JSS Mahavidyapeetha Horticulture Division Director N.M. Shivashankarappa inaugurates, JSS Science and Technology University Kannada Professor Huskuru Ambika Shivananjappa delivers lecture on 'Vachanagalalli Ahara Paddhati,' JSS Hostel, V.V. Road, near RTO Circle, **5.30 pm.**
- **Ganabharathi, Mysuru:** Veena concert by Vidu. Rakshitha Ramesh, accompanied by Vid. Adhamya Ramananda on mridanga and Vid. V.S. Ramesh on morching, Ganabharathi Veene Seshanna Bhavana, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**
- **Sadhana Mandira:** Special Training Sessions - Learn & Perform, Simple and Diligent, Saraswati Puja with meaning, symbolism, significance, advantages and methodology by Swami Hamsananda, Sri Sankashtahara Ganapati Temple, BEML Nagar, Srirampura 2nd Stage, **6.30 pm to 7.15 pm;** Mysuru Yogalaya, D.S. Mansion, #1, 13th Block, SBM Layout, Vivekanandanagar, **7.30 pm to 8.15 pm.**
- **Samathentho, Mysuru:** Three-day Samathentho Ranga Sambhrama, theatre person Prasanna Heggodu inaugurates and releases two books 'Kuntila' and 'Duddina Devaru' authored by Prof. H.S. Umesh; Theatre activist Srinivas G. Kappanna will launch Samathentho's YouTube channel, followed by Ranga Sangeetha and staging of short play 'Guri Muttu' directed Prof. H.S. Umesh (translation of the play 'Fulfilment' written by T.P. Kailasam), acclaimed theatre personality Rameshwari Varma presides, Kiru Rangamandira (Mini Theatre), Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.**

[See EVENTS TOMORROW (Dec. 13) on Page-11]

WORD OF THE DAY

Grift

Pronunciation: GRIFT (verb)
Meaning: To grift is to use dishonest tricks to illegally take money / property.
Origin: Someone who grifts is a thief, but of a particular sort: they illegally obtain money or property by means of cleverness or deceit, and do not usually resort to physical force or violence. A grifter might be a pickpocket, a crooked gambler, a scammer, or a con artist. The most plausible etymology we have for the murky term is that grift is an early 20th century alteration of graft, a slightly older word which refers to the acquisition of money or property in dishonest or questionable ways. Both grift and graft have noun and verb forms.
Example: "When the families demanded he return the jewellery he had grifted from them he arranged meetings and then did not show." —Peter Spriggs, The Echo (South Essex, England), 31 Oct. 2025.

THE ODD WORD

Talaria

A winged sandal (as worn by Hermes in Graeco-Roman art).

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Drink like a fish

Meaning: You use the phrase 'Drink like a fish' when discussing someone's tendency toward consuming too much alcohol.
Origin: The origin of the expression 'Drink like a fish' is a clear allusion to a fish's method of breathing, namely to ingest water and pass it over the gills in order to obtain the necessary amount of oxygen. The phrase was first seen in print in 1640, in Fletcher and Shirley's work The Night-Walker, Or The Little Thief: "Give me the bottle, I can drink like a Fish now, like an Elephant."
Example: "It's not a good idea to drink like a fish, especially if you've got to be at work early in the morning."

QUOTE BOX

We are most alive when we're in love. **—John Updike**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: No excuse for it.

SUDOKU

			2		1			
1	9			7			3	2
5								1
	3						1	
		7	3		9	6		
	5						9	
2								8
4	1			2			5	6
			4		5			

Answer to previous puzzle

7	6	9	3	2	5	8	4	1
4	2	5	1	7	8	3	6	9
3	8	1	6	9	4	7	5	2
5	4	8	2	6	7	9	1	3
6	1	3	4	8	9	5	2	7
2	9	7	5	3	1	4	8	6
8	7	2	9	4	6	1	3	5
1	3	4	7	5	2	6	9	8
9	5	6	8	1	3	2	7	4

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 French clergyman
5 Sans serif or Arial
9 In addition
12 Small British bird
13 European river
14 Cow sound
15 Wooden pegs, pins, or blocks
16 A lazy or an idle person
18 Criminal
20 One of the USA?
21 Communications officer on the Starship Enterprise
22 Bull periods
23 South in Seville
24 Absorbed in one's work, perhaps
27 ___ one's promise : was true to one's words?
31 Joule fraction
32 Spread out
34 American Auto. Assoc.
35 Appear
37 Reverberate
38 Sys. and Research Centre
39 Slack or loose
41 Reach; imply? (3,2)
43 Euro 2024 champions
46 Blended, mingled
47 Party to lawsuit
50 Self-righteous person
52 Kyushu mountain
53 "Nary" a change to a man's name?
54 "Seal" anagram for a girl's name?
55 Motor vehicle
56 Shout
57 Alkaline solutions

WEDNESDAY'S ANSWER

U	P	T	O	■	O	D	D	S	■	A	T	O
M	A	Y	I	■	C	R	I	T	E	R	I	A
B	I	R	L	■	T	I	D	E	M	A	R	K
O	N	E	S	T	E	P	■	R	U	B	E	■
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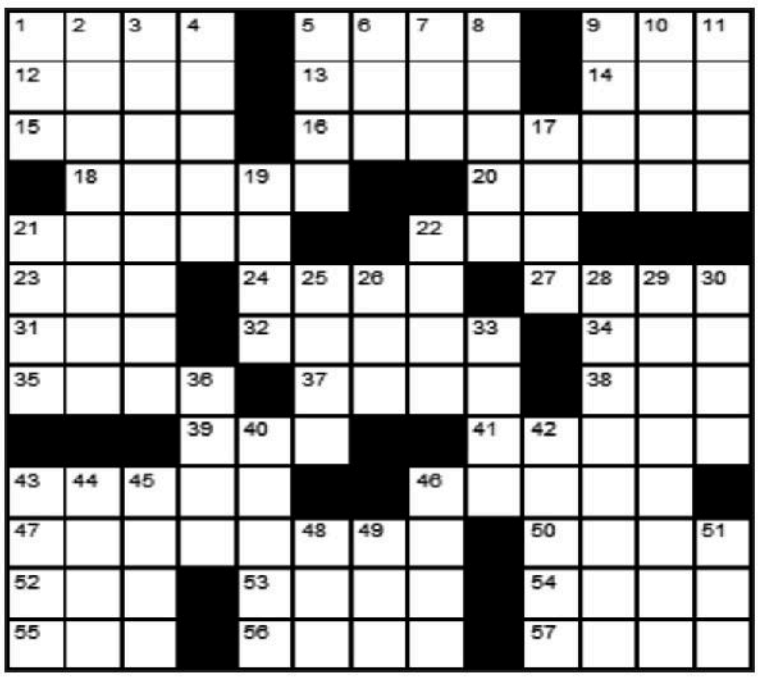
W	R	I	T	H	E	■	D	E	R	■	■	■
■	E	T	U	I	■	T	O	T	A	L	L	Y
U	N	A	F	R	A	I	D	■	T	A	R	A
S	C	R	A	P	I	N	G	■	E	T	O	N
B	E	Y	■	S	T	Y	E	■	D	A	N	K

DOWN
1 Barley beard
2 Booklet
3 Be jealous
4 An elder of Lorna Doone's kinsmen
5 People in general
6 Harem room
7 "Yen" anagram for famous French marshal
8 Vagrant
9 Marne mine
10 Part of speech
11 ____ on : be excessively fond of?
17 Lie in the sun
19 Levers for rowing
21 Functions
22 Mormon state
25 Summit
26 Public limited company in short
28 From or toward the orient?
29 ____ Regained : John Milton's famous poem?
30 Diplomat's specialty
33 Hindu ascetic
36 1052 in Roman numerals
40 Irate
42 Kick out
43 East European
44 Italian city
45 Like ___ of bricks : rather heavily? (1,3)
46 Tel ser. provider in New Delhi and Mumbai
48 A positive vote
49 ___ Sarovar : bird sanctuary in Gujarat ?
51 A cooking fuel



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

ANB RBMZKZKQ MPKGAZUK UM ANB EXAZOA

ZO AU GNBXZON GUKOGZUPOKBOO.

TODAY'S CLUE: Q EQUALS G

Wednesday's Cryptoquip: The absence of alternatives clears the mind marvelously.

SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

- **Sangam Theatre** — **Ph: 2520494**
  The Devil (K) - 4 Shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** — **Ph: 2422871**
  The Devil (K) - 4 Shows
- **Gayathri Theatre** — **Ph: 2443568**
  The Devil (K) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — **Mob: 99008-20093**
  The Devil (K) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — **Ph: 2423554**
  Akhanda 2: Thaandavam (Te) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** — **Mob: 98454-14691**
  Kantara: A Legend Chapter - 1 (K) - 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — **Ph: 2420885**
  Akhanda 2: Thaandavam (K) - 4 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** — **Ph: 2521923**
  Mahasenha (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — **Mob: 98863-25207**
  Kis Kisko Pyaar Karoon 2 (H) - 3 Shows

MOVIES AT DRC CINEMAS Ph: 4240422 4241800

Padmagandhi (K)	(S-1)	9.30 am
Akhanda 2 (Te)	(S-1)	12.10 pm
	(S-2)	10.25 pm
	(S-3)	3.40 pm
Kis Kisko Pyaar Karoon 2 (H)	(S-1)	3.30 pm
Dhurandhar (H)	(S-1)	6.25 pm, 10.30 pm
	(S-2)	12.50 pm
The Devil (K)	(S-2)	9.30 am, 7.10 pm
	(S-3)	10.05 pm
	(S-4)	9.20 am, 12.35 pm, 3.55 pm
		7.15 pm, 10.30 pm
Zootopia 2 (E-3D)	(S-2)	4.50 pm
Padayappa (Ta)	(S-3)	12 noon
Vishwaroopini Shree Vasavi (K)	(S-3)	6.55 pm

MOVIES AT MYSURU VISION CINEMAS Ph: 2973519

The Devil (K)	:	9.25 am, 11 am, 12.30 pm
		3.40 pm, 4.45 pm, 6.50 pm, 7.45 pm
		9.15 pm, 10 pm
Kantara: A Legend Chapter - 1 (K)	:	12.45 pm
Dhurandhar (H)	:	12.50 pm, 3.50 pm, 7.45 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

The Devil (K)	:	8.30 am, 8.55 am, 10.20 am
		11.55 am, 12.10 pm, 1.45 pm
		3.20 pm, 3.40 pm, 6.45 pm
		7.05 pm, 10.10 pm, 10.30 pm
Akhanda 2: Thaandavam (Te)	:	8.50 am, 12.20 pm, 3.30 pm
		6.50 pm, 10.10 pm
Dhurandhar (H)	:	9 am, 9.30 am, 1.45 pm, 5.30 pm
		6 pm, 9.45 pm, 10.15 pm
Sholay: The Final Cut (H)	:	1.15 pm
Zootopia 2 (E-3D)	:	5.10 pm
Kis Kisko Pyaar Karoon 2 (H)	:	7.35 pm
Tere Ishk Mein (H)	:	10.20 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

The Devil (K)	:	8.05 am, 8.40 am, 11.30 am
		12.05 pm, 2.55 pm, 3.30 pm
		6.20 pm, 6.55 pm, 10.20 pm
Akhanda 2: Thaandavam (Te)	:	8.50 am, 12.10 pm, 3.30 pm
		6.50 pm, 10.10 pm
Dhurandhar (H)	:	9.45 am, 2 pm, 6.15 pm
		9.45 pm, 10.30 pm

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC. 13)

- **Sadvidya Educational Institutions, Mysuru and Kaveri Charitable Trust, Mysuru:** Annual Athletic Meet, University of Mysore Registrar (Evaluation) Dr. N. Nagaraja, chief guest, Ekalavya awardee and International Ice & Roller Speed Skater Akash Aradya, guest of honour, Sadvidya Educational Institutions President Prof. M.S.K. Narahari Babu presides, Secretary M.D. Gopinath administers oath to athletes, Chamundi Vihar Stadium, Nazarbad, **8.30 am.**
- **Mahabodhi Maitri Mandala and Mahabodhi School, Mysuru:** 'Chiguru Habba' - 53rd annual day celebrations and cultural programmes, Kalamandira, **8.30 am.**
- **Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Palace North Gate:** Sri Hanuma Jayanti Mahotsava, devotional songs recital by Krishnamurthy and Ramesh of Madhuragana, **9.30 am;** procession of Sri Sita Rama, Lakshmana and Hanuman idols with Nadaswara and Bharath Band, **4.30 pm;** Bhajans by Gayathri Mahila Samaja, **5.30 pm to 7 pm;** Devotional music by Sumanth Vashishta & Troupe, Temple premises, **7 pm to 9.30 pm.**
- **Builders Association of India (BAI), Mysuru Centre:** 25th edition of MyBuild-25 Exhibition, Maharaja's College Grounds, **10 am to 9 pm.**
- **Sahaja Samrudha and Sahaja Seeds:** *Maagi Sambhrama* (Winter Seed Festival), expo of varieties of avarekai, togari, groundnuts, sweet potatoes, pumpkin flowers, millets, organic products, natural cosmetics, bamboo products, traditional toys and desi rice varieties, Nanjaraja Bahaddur Choultry, **10 am to 8.30 pm.**
- **General Insurance Employees' All India Association - South Zone (GIEAIA-SZ), Mysuru Unit:** 5th District Conference of GIEAIA-SZ, President Com. N. Srikantha presides, District Secretary N. Somanna delivers welcome speech, All India GIEAIA-SZ Working President R. Srinivasa Murthy, GIRA (Karnataka Branch) General Secretary S. Ramesh and GIEAIA (Bengaluru Branch) Regional Secretary R. Bharath, chief guests, GIEAIA-SZ Treasurer M. Malleshy proposes vote of thanks, Hotel Shree Guru Residency, JLB Road, **10 am.**
- **Vidyavardhaka Sangha, Mysuru and Department of Studies in Commerce & Computer Applications, Vidyavardhaka First Grade College (VVFGC) - PG Centre, Mysuru:** PG Students' Forum Inauguration (2025-26), Writer, Columnist & Financial Advisor Rangaswamy Mookanahalli, chief guest, Vidyavardhaka Sangha (VVS) Hon. President Gundappa Gowda presides, Hon. Secretary P. Vishwanath, Hon. Treasurer Shrishaila Ramannavar and VVFGC CMC Chairman T. Nagaraju, guests of honour, Sri P.M. Chikkaboraiah Hall, College premises, Seshadri Iyer Road, **10 am.**
- **Karnataka State Brahmin Development Board:** Presentation of 'Vishwa Mithra' Pratibha Puraskar to meritorious students from different parts of Karnataka by District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, Health and Family Welfare Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao inaugurates, MLA T.S. Srivatsa presides, Revenue Minister Krishna Byre Gowda, MLAs G.T. Devegowda, Tanveer Sait and other dignitaries will be present, Sarada Vilas Educational Institutions Auditorium, Krishnamurthypuram, **10.40 am.**
- **'Inked in the Hills':** Poetry dialogue between Kodava poet Dr. Ravin Chengappa and Kodava Author Subbaiah Nuchimanyanda Muthanna, The Green Hotel, Chittaranjan Palace, Hunsur Road, **4.30 pm.**
- **Kalasuruchi and Kutuhali-Kannada:** 'Kathe Kelona Banni-910,' story-telling by Jeenahalli Siddalingappa, retd. Gazetted Assistant, Department of Education, Mysuru, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm;** Science Sanje, **Dr. Vinayakaprasanna N. Hegde,** Asst. Professor, Department of Physics, Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering, delivers talk on 'Nanoworld - Tiny Particles, Big Possibilities,' Suruchi Rangamane, # 476, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**

- **Mysore English Theatre Forum (METF):** First edition of 'Mysuru English Theatre Festival,' Poetry Reading session - **5 pm to 6 pm;** Staging of *'Who Killed Agatha?,'* by WeMove Theatre, story by Rangaraj Bhatracharya and Pavan Sharma, stage adaptation by Aditya Naik and direction by Pavan Sharma, Jagannatha Centre for Art and Culture (JCAC), Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **6.30 pm.**
- **PGL Samsmarana Vedike, Mysuru:** Two-day 19th year music programme in memory of Ganakalabhushana Vid. P.G. Lakshminarayana (PGL), felicitation to renowned musician Vidu. Dr. Sukanya Prabhakar and art patron C.R. Himamshu; Karnatak music vocal duet concert by Vidu. Sukanya Prabhakar and Dr. Sumana Vedant accompanied by Vidu. Adithi Krishna Prakash on violin, Vid. G.S. Ramanujan on mridanga and Vid. V.S. Ramesh on morching, Mysore K. Vasudevacharya Bhavana, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Samathentho, Mysuru:** Samathentho Ranga Sambhrama, staging of comedy play *'Gundayana'* by Kreative Troupe, Bengaluru, directed by Joseph John, [10 different roles will be enacted by two actors — Lakshmi Chandrashekar and Sundar], Kiru Rangamandira (Mini Theatre), Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Ranga Sampada, Mysuru:** Staging of Kannada play *'Sharmiste'* — one-woman play featuring renowned actress Umashree, written by Belur Raghunandan and directed by former Rangayana Director Chidambara Rao Jambe, presented by Ranga Sampada Theatre Group, Bengaluru, Natana Rangashaale, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sadhana Mandira:** Special Training Sessions - Learn & Perform, Simple and Diligent, Saraswati Puja with meaning, symbolism, significance, advantages and methodology by Swami Hamsananda, Sri Sankashtahara Ganapati Temple, BEML Nagar, Srirampura 2nd Stage, **6.30 pm to 7.15 pm;** Mysuru Yogalaya, D.S. Mansion, #1, 13th Block, SBM Layout, Vivekanandanagar, **7.30 pm to 8.15 pm**.
- **Avadhoota Datta Peetham:** 4k Projection Mapping on 45-ft tall Karya Siddhi Hanuman statue, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda (SGS) Ashram, Dattanagar, Nanjangud Road, **(3 Shows) 7.10 pm, 7.40 pm and 8.10 pm.**

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		6.50 pm, 10.10 pm
Akhanda 2: Thaandavam (K)	:	3.30 pm
Dhurandhar (H)	:	9.50 am, 2 pm
		6.10 pm, 10.20 pm

MOVIES AT CENTRO MALL

The Devil (K)	:	7.40 am, 8.40 am, 11.05 am
		12.05 pm, 2.30 pm, 3.30 pm
		5.55 pm, 6.55 pm
		9.20 pm, 10.20 pm
Akhanda 2: Thaandavam (Te)	:	9.05 am, 3.30 pm
		6.50 pm, 10.10 pm
Dhurandhar (H)	:	10 am, 2.10 pm
		6.20 pm, 10.30 pm
Peotu (K)	:	12.25 pm

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